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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5379-01
Bill No.: HB 1460
Subject: Courts; Telecommunications
Type: Original
Date: February 13, 2012

Bill Summary: This proposal extends the expiration date of the statewide court automation fund to 2020.

FISCAL SUMMARY

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2013 | FY 2014 | FY 2015 |
| | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2013 | FY 2014 | FY 2015 |
| Statewide Court Automation | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds* | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

* Offsetting income, expenses and transfers in the Statewide Court Automation Fund net to zero in each fiscal year.

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS | | | |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2013 | FY 2014 | FY 2015 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) | | | |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2013 | FY 2014 | FY 2015 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE | 0 | 0 | 0 |

☒ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).

☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS | | | |
|--|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2013 | FY 2014 | FY 2015 |
| Local Government | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of the State Courts Administrator**, **Office of Administration**, and the **Office of the State Treasurer** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Oversight assumes the proposed legislation would replace the September 1, 2013 expiration date of the Statewide Court Automation Fund and the statewide court automation fund fees. The activity in the fund for the previous five fiscal years has been:

Statewide Court Automation Fund (0270)
from
Fund Activity Report

| Fiscal Year | Beginning Balance | Receipts | Disbursements/ JVs | Transfers/IAB | Ending Balance |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 2011 | \$514,035 | \$5,207,903 | (\$4,352,894) | (\$884,337) | \$484,708 |
| 2010 | \$573,453 | \$5,567,800 | (\$4,510,796) | (\$1,116,422) | \$514,035 |
| 2009 | \$744,534 | \$5,895,702 | (\$5,248,108) | (\$818,675) | \$573,453 |
| 2008 | \$523,045 | \$5,684,276 | (\$4,176,715) | (\$1,286,071) | \$744,534 |
| 2007 | \$573,954 | \$5,334,765 | (\$4,608,026) | (\$777,648) | \$523,045 |

Oversight assumes the proposal would result in continued revenues and costs to the Statewide Court Automation Fund in fiscal years 2014 through 2019. Based on the data from the past five fiscal years, Oversight assumes the proposal would result in average revenues of approximately \$5,500,000, costs of approximately (\$4,500,000), and transfers of approximately (\$1,000,000), resulting in a net zero impact to the Statewide Court Automation Fund each year. FY 2013 amounts have been adjusted to reflect 10 months.

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u> | FY 2013 (10 Mo.) | FY 2014 | FY 2015 |
|--|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| STATEWIDE COURT AUTOMATION FUND | | | |
| <u>Revenues</u> – Office of State Courts Administrator | | | |
| Continued collection of state court automation fund fees | \$4,583,333 | \$5,500,000 | \$5,500,000 |
| <u>Costs</u> – Office of State Courts Administrator | | | |
| Statewide court automation system | (\$3,750,000) | (\$4,500,000) | (\$4,500,000) |
| <u>Transfers</u> – Office of State Courts Administrator | | | |
| Net of transfers in, transfers out, and IAB transactions | <u>(\$833,333)</u> | <u>(\$1,000,000)</u> | <u>(\$1,000,000)</u> |
| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATEWIDE COURT AUTOMATION FUND | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u> | FY 2013 (10 Mo.) | FY 2014 | FY 2015 |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

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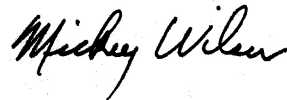
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Currently, the provisions regarding the statewide court automation fund fee assessed in certain court cases expire on September 1, 2013. This bill extends the expiration date to September 1, 2018. The Court Automation Committee is required to complete its duties by September 1, 2020, when the provisions regarding the Statewide Court Automation Fund expire. Currently, the committee must complete its duties by September 1, 2015, when the provisions regarding the fund expire.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of the State Courts Administrator
Office of Administration
Office of the State Treasurer



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